FRANKLIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING APRIL 4, 2017 – 10:00 A.M. COMMISSIONERS/COUNCIL MEETING ROOM, #203

The Franklin County Commissioners met in regular meeting on April 4, 2017, at 10:00 a.m. in the Commissioners/Council Meeting Room. Those present were Tom Wilson, Eric Roberts, Carol Westerman and Karla Bauman, Auditor. Tom Linkel was absent.

The meeting was called to order and the pledge of allegiance led by Tom Wilson.

Ted Cooley, FC Engineer – Updates: Bridge Deck Overlay Projects – 8 bridges changed to 7 – Presentation of Award. Motion to sign contract with Brackney, Inc. in the sum of \$33,635.70, for the milling of bridges, by Eric Roberts, seconded by Tom Wilson. Motion carried.

Bridge Repair Projects - Three bridges have been completed.

Cathy Pelsor, Public Transportation – 1st Quarter Reimbursement: Motion for Tom Wilson to sign 1st Quarter Reimbursement by Eric Roberts, seconded by Tom Wilson. Motion carried.

Tim Back – Arboriculture Activities: Tim Back gave a presentation about his desire to offer his property for educational purposes for local organizations like schools, colleges, 4-H, boy scouts, etc. This would be a non-profit organization and there will be no charge. He was just wondering if there is anything else that he needed to do that was required by Franklin County with any legal or safety issues. Eric Roberts suggested that he contact both the APC about any zoning concerns and to contact the local extension office.

Terri Shoufler – ESPY Services, Inc.: Presentation on what services her company could offer the County in regards to refund recovery on telephone and internet services (Overbilling and unused lines). There will be no cost to the County if no refunds are found. Eric Roberts would like 3 to 4 weeks to look over the proposal.

Approve Minutes – March 27, 2017: Motion to approve March 27, 2017 minutes by Eric Roberts, seconded by Tom Wilson. Motion carried.

Application for Certificate of Appropriateness – Sign: Application for signage for Gold Diggers Family Diner filed for recommendation by the Commissioners. Tom Wilson moved to give permission for the signage for Gold Diggers Family Diner, seconded by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Ordinance 2017-08 – FC Fair Housing: An ordinance providing necessary and appropriate provisions to prevent discrimination in the area of housing because of race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status or national origin. Eric Roberts moved to adopt Ordinance 2017-08 Franklin County Fair Housing Ordinance, seconded by Tom Wilson. Motion carried.

Ordinance 2017-09 FC Drug Free Workplace: An ordinance wherein the County of Franklin, Indiana, makes a commitment to provide employees a safe working environment, to ensure that employees, equipment and operating practices comply with health and safety standards. Eric Roberts is in favor of signing the ordinance so long as the Franklin County Personnel Handbook will be amended if necessary to comply with said ordinance. Eric Roberts moves to adopt Ordinance 2017-09 Franklin County Drug Free Workplace, seconded by Tom Wilson, Motion carried.

Proclamation – National Public Safety Telecommunications Week April 9-15, 2017: Tom Wilson read a Proclamation for National Public Safety Telecommunications Week, April 9-15, 2017, wherein the Franklin County Communication Center and employees were recognized for their substantial contributions to the apprehension of criminals, suppression of fires and treatment of patients. Further, each dispatcher has exhibited compassion, understanding and professionalism during the performance of their job in the past year. The Commissioners declared April 9 through April 15, 2017 to be National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week in Franklin County, in honor of the men and women whose diligence and professionalism keep our county and citizens safe. Eric Roberts moved to sign the Proclamation, seconded by Tom Wilson. Motion carried.

Public Comments: Betty Lecher commented and questioned the Commissioners in regards to the recent Audit findings and sick days that were paid to highway employee. Mildred Simmermeyer commented on the signing of Health Insurance Renewal papers for 2017.

Adjourn: Motion to adjourn by Tom Wilson, seconded by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Others Present: Terri Shoufler, Betty Lecher, Mildred I. Simmermeyer, Sara Duffy, Tim Back, Ann Anderson, Cathy Pelsor, Ted Cooley, John Estridge, Verda Clark, Daryl Kramer, Becky Oglesby.

Minutes from April 4, 2017 accepted,

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Tom Wilson	Tom Wilson	
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Eric Roberts	Eric Roberts	

Tom Linkel: Abstain

Attested By: Karla J. Bauman, Auditor